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Interesting Morsels for the Intelligent's Feminine Readers.

FASHION HINTS AND FANCIES

Appropriate to the Season—Holiday Novelties and Suggestions for Christmas Presents—Table Delicacies—Other Matters of Interest.

TO ONE IN DREAMS.

You dream of me, and I, blest in that dreaming,
Think all my dark skies blue;
Bright as the colors of the orange gleaming
Are my sweet thoughts of you.
Dear! in your far home where the sunlight tapers
In its glory and its grace;
In all the dear and delicious splendors,
Dream of my face!
Think of me, sweet, lost in the lonely mountains,
So desolate and drear;
And let the tinkle of the tropic fountains
Dream to me here!
If I had loved the less I were not lonely
In all the North's bleak gloom;
The love that makes my life thine, and thine only,
Lives where the orange blooms!
Dream of me, dear! for all the skies above you
Are dreamful skies and true;
Love! in my darkness and my death I love you,
And dying, dream of you!

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A Cautious Fair.

Judge.
Alice—"A Christmas present? Why, it's a month to Christmas!" Sophista Kate—"I know it; but there is so much work on it that I began early." Alice—"It is elaborate. Who is it for?" Sophista Kate (mysteriously)—"For my best young man." Alice—"Well, my dear, if he's as stupid as I am he'll never make those initials out." Sophista Kate—"Can't you read them? I'm entirely glad. I embroidered them on purpose. One can never tell, you know, who one's best young man will be in a month from now."

DRESS FANTASIES.

Some Frankish Toilet Fancies That Maids and Madames Are Wearing.
Elegant silver buttons, set with rubies, turquoise or moonstones, are enchanting with full dress costumes. Russian enamel, in mosaic-like colorings, is also used in the manufacture of very handsome buttons.

Dark gowns are given a bewitching dash of color by the addition of some one of the bright-colored jackets trimmed with the unmatchable gold threads, and of the same style as those worn by the Turkish ladies of the harem.

Wide-spread Huguenot ruffs are worn with the latest opera cloaks. Many of these neck garnitures are so broad that they over-reach the shoulders.

French modistes have introduced a fetching addition to the Empire ball gown. It consists of a tunic of transparent tissue, starting from beneath a rounded Figaro and falling in straight lines to the foot hem. The effect is charming.

FOR FAIR FOLKS ALL.

The Empress and the Dog-Catcher—Girls Named Columbia.

Empress Frederick and Princess Margaret were walking to St. Mark's, in Venice, the other day, followed by a lap dog, without muzzle or chain, when suddenly the little animal was caught by a man whose business it is to take up stray dogs. The two ladies especially begged the police to order the man to give the dog up, but, having no idea of the rank of the petitioners, the police said that to regain the dog they must follow him to the police office. This they did, and, with many excuses, the captain of the guard ordered the restitution of the animal.

A Sensible Suggestion.

Here is a suggestion from the Chicago News Record: The birth records of New York and other cities show that hundreds of innocent babies will carry a life reminder of this anniversary season. The name of Columbia is being saddled upon them, and where sex suggests a necessary variation, Columbia is substituted. Spare the little ones, and especially the girls, for in future years the name will be an almost infallible guide to the age. When it is known that a lady's name is Columbia, it will be perfectly natural to say that "she must have been born back in 1892."

Jewels in the Hair.

According to a new Parisian fashion the hair is brushed up toward the top of the head and is coiled smoothly over the brow. The forehead is veiled by a light fringe of soft, fluffy little curls artistically tangled, and for evening wear, diamond stars, crescents or other jeweled ornaments are fastened "on diadem" in the coil.

Silken Gowns for Little Girls.

Accordion-pleated skirts, says the New York Tribune, makes the prettiest of all skirts for girls from twelve to fourteen years to wear to dancing school. China silk frocks, made very full, are quite charming in their effect when held out in one of the pretty poses of a dancer. A dancing school dress should be lighter in every way than the ordinary home costume, and children should be taught to do their light silks as a matter of course and without consciousness as being as much the accessory of the lesson as a riding habit would be at the riding school, or the gymnasium dress at the athletic club.

New Serge Gowns.

Some of the new gowns of serge, trimmed with plaid, are finished with long, narrow scarfs, hanging on either side, like the familiar stolen of priestly garb.

A Linen Paper Case.

A very pretty thing is a paper case, made for the boudoir or bedroom writing table. It is of white linen which has been laundered before making up. The pressing was done on the wrong side, which gave the surface the soft finish of suede. This case when laid open was about twelve inches long, with a pocket at either end filled with note paper and envelopes. When folded over it showed the legend in gold:

"Write white on which to write."

A postal card was made in the same way, and as they were made without a cardboard stiffening, they were easily cleaned.

Artistic Chair Back.

Some very beautiful canvas designs have just been imported, suitable for large or small chair backs and seats, or for ottomans and footstools. This kind of work is being revived, especially by those who have old style furniture, and wish to keep the upholstery in the old style. They are worked in single stitch and each part of the design has worked laid over, to show the worker exactly what to use, and how far the color is to be used before changing, the next color being shown in the same way. When the design is a Watteau

scene, the faces and arms are finished. All styles of designs in all colorings are shown, floral, conventional and geometrical, all in good coloring, and costing from \$4 to \$18.—Art Interchange.

HOLIDAY NOVELTIES.

Green crocodile and crushed pig-skin combine to produce the most captivating little purses on exhibit.

An original pen-wiper consists of a miniature shoe brush exquisitely mounted in silver.

Such a variety of unique hiding places for stationery! Square covered baskets of celluloid, their delicate, pale-tinted surfaces bearing traces of a floral shower; miniature desks in old ivory; oblong wicker trays, sometimes gilded, but frequently in their original dress of yellow brown, the only color showing in a bright carmine or old gold bow; white kid boxes, strewn with violets, cowslips or detached bits of holly—one and all are brought into use to shield in charming fashion their perfumed contents. Dame Fashion has prepared, especially for the holidays, a new and very lovely note paper, known as the "Venice." Ethereal tints with edge dashes of silver complete the beauty of this stationery fancy.

CHRISTMAS CAKES.

Recipes For Rich Holiday Morsels—A Fine Plum Cake.

Harper's Bazar.

Many rich cakes improve with age, and it has always been the custom with the best Southern housekeepers to make their Christmas cakes several weeks in advance of the holidays. The following recipes are among the best used:

Christmas Plum Cake.—Cream one pound of butter and one pound of sugar together; add the beaten yolks of eighteen eggs, one gill of molasses, one pound of sifted flour, six table-spoonfuls of coarse flour, and one wine-glass of brandy, beat all together for five minutes. Add three pounds of seeded raisins, one pound of dried currants, half a pound each of almonds and sliced citron, well floured, two ounces of grated cocoanut, one tablespoonful each of ground allspice, mace and cloves, and two grated nutmegs; lastly, add the beaten whites of the eggs. Mix well, pour in one large or two small cake moulds, and bake in a moderate oven for six hours; ornament when cold with fancy sugar plums and a wreath of holly.

Christmas Black Cake.—Cream three pounds of brown sugar and three pounds of butter together; sift in three pounds of flour; beat twenty-eight eggs separately and add, with five pounds of seeded raisins, four pounds of dried currants, one pound of sliced citron, one ounce each of cinnamon and nutmeg, half an ounce of mace, cloves and allspice, with a glass of blackberry wine. Mix and beat well. Turn into a very large cake mold and bake for six hours. This cake will keep for years.

Christmas Fruit Cake (a crock recipe).—Take a pound of butter, a pound of powdered sugar, fifteen eggs, a pound of sifted flour, a pound and a half of raisins, half a pound of currants, half a pound of citron, half a pound each of candied cherries, orange and lemon peel, one grated nutmeg, half a tablespoonful each of ground cinnamon and mace; a teaspoonful each of ground cloves and ginger, two tablespoonfuls of rum, and the juice of two lemons. Seed the raisins; wash and dry the currants; slice the citron, orange, and lemon peel thin; beat the butter to a cream; add the sugar; beat the eggs until very light, and add them to the butter and sugar, then gradually sift in the flour. Mix all the fruit together and flour well. Mix the spices in the batter; add the fruit; mix thoroughly; add the rum and lemon juice; beat again. Line a large cake pan with greased paper, turn in the batter, and bake in a very slow oven for four hours. When done remove carefully from the pan; let cool, ice and ornament the top with candied cherries, strawberries, or other small candied fruit.

New Year's Cake.—Cream one and a half pounds of butter and one and a half pounds of powdered sugar; beat well together. Beat fifteen eggs, and add, with a pound and a half of sifted flour and three teaspoonfuls of baking powder; grate two lemons in half a tea-cup of molasses, and add the batter, with two pounds of finely chopped almonds, two pounds of seeded raisins and one pound of sliced citron. Turn in a cake mold, and bake two hours in a moderate oven.

Holiday Cake.—Blanch three-quarters of a pound of shelled almonds and slice in halves; chop half a pound of citron; mix them together and roll in sifted flour; add to six well-beaten eggs and three-quarters of a pound of sugar; mix well and sift in a pound of flour. Butter long shallow cake pans, put the batter in them, and bake in a quick oven. When done, take out, roll in sugar and finely powdered almonds. Put away in a tight tin box, and these cakes will keep for a year.

White Fruit Cake.—Cream one pound of butter and one pound of powdered sugar together; add the beaten yolks of sixteen eggs, and a pound of sifted flour with two teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Slice three pounds of citron, blanch one pound of almonds, and grate one cocoanut; add to the batter, with the stiffly beaten whites of the eggs. Line a cake pan with greased paper, turn in the mixture, and set in a moderate oven. Bake slowly for two hours; when cold, ice with cocoanut frosting. If kept in a close tin box, this cake will keep two or three weeks.

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

THE SILVER CONFERENCE.

Possibly a Failure Will Yet be Averted. France's Uncertain Attitude.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 7.—An important section of the international monetary conference holds that De Rothschild's withdrawal of his plan for a solution of the silver question does not debar the further discussion of his proposals by the conference, the committee to which it was referred having presented it for the consideration of the conference, thus taking it out of the hands of Mr. De Rothschild.

To-day M. Sainctelette, a Belgian delegate who supports the De Rothschild plan with the Moritz Levy amendment substituting silver for small gold coins, will hold a conference with Sir Fremantle, one of the British delegates and deputy master of the British mint, and Senator Toca, a Spanish delegate, on the question of putting the amended Rothschild plan to a vote of the conference. Both Senator Toca and M. Sainctelette hold that a failure of the conference can yet be averted by a majority of the delegates recommending either the Levy project or the amended Rothschild. The scheme proposed by C. F. Teitelbaum, Danish delegate, is treated with indifference. It may be dropped without discussion by the conference. The proposals advanced by Sir C. Houldsworth, though applauded by the pronounced bi-metallicist delegates yesterday, is not considered by all his colleagues worth wasting time over in discussion. His plan will probably be referred to a committee to-morrow and will not be heard of again. The uncertain attitude of the French delegates is influencing the other representatives whose countries belong to the Latin union.

It has been a cause of complaint that other members who are desirous of frank opposition to co-operation in the De Rothschild plan communicated these proposals to the French delegates before they were submitted to the conference and were led to believe that the French delegates would support the plan. Had they believed otherwise they would have reconsidered the question of presenting the plan. It is the opinion of many of the delegates that the French government does not desire the conference to decide anything.

An interview has been published here with M. Leon Say, the well known French financier. M. Say declared that he thought the attitude of both English and American delegates was a deplorable one, especially that of the Americans who appeared to be without any definite proposals. M. Say could not understand why the British as practical business men wanted the assistance of France in a matter which was their own concern. In regard to the De Rothschild proposals M. Say declared that he thought they solved nothing, and he added that he thought the deliverances of the conference would end in nothing. M. Say's remarks define the action of the French delegates, who criticize everything said in the conference or in committees, but who suggest nothing. The opinions among the delegates have become sharper and more clearly defined, the partisans of the single and double standards providing more irreconcilable as the discussion develops.

Mr. Henry W. Cannon, one of the American delegates, and president of the Chase National Bank, has asked the committee to discuss the proposals of the American delegates as stated to the plenary conference. M. Montefiore Levi, the president of the conference, opposes the committee's proceeding to discuss the American proposals. A majority of the committee concur in the opinion of President Levi. The Hon. E. Terra, the American minister to Belgium, will give a banquet in honor of the delegates to-morrow. The grand municipal reception at the Hotel de Ville has been fixed for December 16. This will wind up the fete in honor of the delegates until after Christmas.

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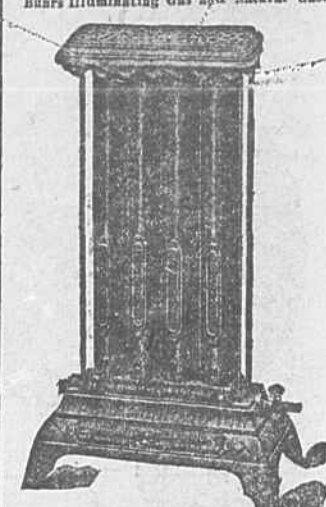
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